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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Aug 24, 2020

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

STATE OF WASHINGTON, STATE OF
COLORADO, STATE OF
CONNECTICUT, STATE OF ILLINOIS
STATE OF MARYLAND, STATE OF
MICHIGAN, STATE OF MINNESOTA,
STATE OF NEVEADA, STATE OF NEW
MEXICO, STATE OF OREGON, STATE
OF RHODE ISLAND, STATE OF
VERMONT, COMMONWEALTH OF
VIRGINIA, and STATE OF
WISCONSIN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

DONALD J. TRUMP, in his official
capacity as President of the United States
of America; UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA; LOUIS DEJOY, in his official
capacity as Postmaster General; UNITED
STATES POSTAL SERVICE,

Defendants.

No. 1:20-CV-03127-SAB

**ORDER GRANTING
PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO
EXPEDITE**

1 Before the Court is Plaintiffs' Motion to Expedite Consideration of
2 Plaintiffs' Motion for Expedited Discovery, ECF No. 16. The motion was heard
3 without oral argument and on an expedited basis.¹

4 On August 18, 2020, Plaintiffs filed this lawsuit challenging recent activities
5 taken by the Postmaster General that affect postal services nationwide. Plaintiffs
6 assert these changes undermined the United States Postal Service's provision of
7 constituent and timely mail service and threaten to disenfranchise American voters
8 in the upcoming election. ECF No. 1. On August 21, 2020, Plaintiffs filed a
9 Motion for Expedited Discovery, ECF No. 14. In that motion, Plaintiffs seek
10 expedited discovery to obtain and preserve evidence concerning the Postmaster
11 General's implementation of changes to the nature of postal services.

12 In the current motion before the Court, Plaintiffs ask the Court to expedite
13 any necessary briefing and the consideration of Plaintiffs' Motion for Expedited
14 Discovery. Good cause exists to grant the motion.

15 Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

16 1. Plaintiffs' Motion to Expedite Consideration of Plaintiffs' Motion for
17 Expedited Discovery, ECF No. 16, is **GRANTED**.

18 2. A video conference hearing on Plaintiff's Motion to Expedite
19 Discovery, ECF No. 14, is **set for August 27, 2020, at 1:00 p.m.** before Chief
20 Judge Stanley Bastian. Counsel shall appear by video conference. Case participants
21 will be provided with separate call-in details by email from the Court's staff. Due
22 to the Court's General Orders 20-101-8 and 20-101-9 limiting public access to the
23 courthouse, members of the public and press may listen to the proceedings by
24 using the following conference all line, 888-204-5984, access code: 6790153, no
25 _____

26 ¹ Although no counsel for Defendants have appeared in this case, Plaintiffs
27 contacted U.S. Attorney William D. Hyslop by telephone and email to notify him
28 of the pending motions.

1 security code, five minutes before the scheduled conference time. Non-parties on
2 the call MUST MUTE YOUR PHONES. Hearing content provided via
3 videoconference or teleconference dial-in access MUST NOT be recorded or
4 rebroadcast.

5 **IT IS SO ORDERED.** The Clerk of Court is directed to enter this Order
6 and forward copies to counsel.

7 **DATED** this 24th day of August 2020.



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13 Stanley A. Bastian
14 Chief United States District Judge
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